

Tuesday, May 8

Opening General Sessions - 1:30-4:30 p.m.

TITLE	Speaker	Description
TBA		
Pediatric Emergency Preparedness	Dr. David Markenson, Director New York Center for Disaster Medicine	Dr. Markenson will provide information on pediatric emergency preparedness including disasters, terrorism and public health emergencies, discussing the unique vulnerabilities and resources needed to address children and provide information from the recently updated National Guidelines for Pediatric Preparedness.

Wednesday, May 9

Workshop Track Descriptions - 8:00-12:00

PUBLIC HEALTH/HEALTH CARE

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Horizontal Integration HHS to DHS	Capt. Janet D Odom FEMA Region V	An overview of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and their interaction and integration on a daily, non-disaster and preparedness basis. The primary focus will be the National Disaster Medical System (NDMS). NDMS started in HHS and moved to DHS when it was created in 2003. Effective January 1, NDMS will move back to HHS where the agency will permanently reside
Medical Response Resources at the Federal Level	William Drake	TBD
Infusing Disability Literacy and Competency in Emergency Planning	Ms. June Isaacson Kailes	Who are people with disabilities and functional limitations? This session will discuss the importance of, and how to include qualified people with disabilities and functional limitations in planning and response activities. Ms. Isaacson will also discuss specific, realistic and useful advice in accessible and usable formats and language in preparedness materials targeting this group.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Finding Humor in the Crazy World of EMS: Welcome to the Dark Side	Steven W. Berry	Those working in the field of emergency medicine often times respond to scenes involving horrific trauma and death, and yet they must not only keep working the remainder of their shift, but they must do it again the next day and the next. How do they do it? Join Steve as he encourages us to enhance our sense of healthy humor while touching your heart with hope and understanding.
Interoperability and the Emergency Alert System	Larry Estlack, CPBE Director of Technology Panel	Join this group discussion regarding Interoperability Planning and the status of the Emergency Alert System for public warning in Michigan. Regions will provide updates on planning and spending as together we strive to meet local, state, and federal goals.

CITIZEN CORPS

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Citizen Corps: A Federal, Regional and State Perspective	Jackie Snelling, Citizen Corps Program, Washington DC Jim Opoka, Region V Citizen Corps Program Manager Jay Roorbach, Michigan Citizen Corps Program Manager	These Citizen Corps program managers will give you an overview of current and future program initiatives from the federal, regional and state viewpoint.
"Perspectives in Managing Volunteers"	Denise Hubbard, Coordinator Volunteer Connections of Montcalm County Janet Lawson, Director Ford Volunteer Corps, Ford Fund and Community Service George Aren, Director of Emergency Services, Salvation Army of SE Michigan Janet Clark, Director R.S.V.P. Lansing Chapter	Is the success of your organization based on the work and attitude of your volunteers? Managing volunteers is both an art and a science, so it is vital to ensure that those responsible for volunteers have the necessary skills, experience and support to do the job well. Join us for a discussion by a panel of experts in volunteer management for resources to recruit, oversee, support and recognize this invaluable resource.
Weather Spotting	Mike Heathfield, NOAA	Learn about the basic fundamentals, formation, and correct identification of severe weather here in Michigan. You will be able to take the information you learn in this workshop and teach your Citizen Corps volunteers these important and critical techniques.

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PUBLIC/PRIVATE

TITLE	Speaker	Description
NIPP	TBD	TBD
Site Assessment Visits (SAV) and SAV Teams		
Critical Infrastructure Protection – Public/Private Partnerships	Brit Weber Michigan State University	This workshop will discuss the benefits and challenges of developing partnerships between the public sector (police, fire, EMS, health, emergency management) and the private sector (businesses and non-profit organizations) for critical infrastructure protection, using an all hazards approach. MSU, through their CIP Program (funded by DHS) works directly with cities, counties and regions across the nation in facilitating public-private partnerships. Their program is in 31 communities in 19 states, and they have trained over 2,000 administrators, directors, chiefs, executives and managers.

RESPONSE

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Federal Incident Response Support Teams (FIRST) equipment, capabilities, and working relationships with state and local jurisdictions	Eric L. Gentry FIRST, Team Leader DHS-FEMA Region V	The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Federal Incident Response Support Team (FIRST) is designed to be a highly responsive and flexible Federal incident management team that will operate within the Incident Command System (ICS) framework of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) under the National Response Plan (NRP). The FIRST is a forward extension of the Emergency Response Team-Advanced (ERT-A) providing the ERT-A Team Leader, and after a Stafford Act Declaration the Federal Coordinating Officer (FCO), with the capability to support State and local response on scene.
Successfully Managing the Extended Incident	Paul Kollmeyer	Incident managers routinely direct resources to support and stabilize emergency situations. Rarely, however, do these incidents last beyond the operational period. This session will concentrate on preparations for the ongoing incident lasting weeks. Understand the importance of doing a complexity analysis; learn strategies for developing operations objectives to avoid mission creep; discover ways to plan for resources in an 24/7 environment; and hear an explanation on the advantages of having a set incident management team and how to blend it with multiple agencies and jurisdictions.
Radiological Assistance Program (RAP) Mission	Stuart Rifkind	Representatives from the Department of Energy and the Argonne National Lab will overview the RAP mission and how the RAP team interacts with state and local first responders.

SCHOOL SECURITY/SAFETY PREPAREDNESS

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Partnerships for Planning	Sgt. Doug Lalone Mt Pleasant Police Department – Youth Services Unit	A well thought out and successful plan for ensuring safety in our schools today needs many partners. Law enforcement and schools can no longer do it alone. But who should come to the table and how do you bring them all together for a successful school safety plan? Sgt. LaLone will discuss developing successful partnerships to include law enforcement, schools, media, community and "other resources" within your county, as well as and how to think "outside the box" in finding funding resources for these successful partnerships.
Bomb Threats in Schools - Evaluation to Determine Appropriate Response	D/Sgt. Scott Hasse Michigan State Police Bomb Unit	To evacuate or not – that is the question. Does a bomb threat or suspicious package automatically require an evacuation protocol? By evacuating staff and students, are you putting them in more danger? School and law enforcement officials are well aware of the disruptive nature of bomb threats; however, most are still ordering the evacuation of school buildings even when there is a lack of credible information to warrant such a response. This session will address concerns and answer questions about proper procedures to follow and offer a rational approach to the bomb threat response.

COMMUNICATIONS

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Effective Presentations - Tools You Can Use	Dr. Mark Hansen, PhD, Michigan State University Extension	Are you hitting the target when talking to groups? Do the participants remain interested during your presentation or do they pull out their Blackberrys? Dr. Hansen will lead an interactive discussion on developing and giving an effective presentation. Based on his doctoral research, other university studies, and over 500 presentations, he will provide ideas on developing your presentation so that participants remain attentive and take home the message.
Effective Press Conferences and Briefings During High Visibility Events	Jim Vance	TBD

General Sessions 1:30-5:00 p.m.

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Critical Infrastructure		
Non-Conventional Mass Fatalities Planning (Changes in Contemporary Incident Response)	Mr. Dennis McGowan	In light of recent disasters and the need to anticipate both pandemic and man-made incidents, the core element of the planning model for mass fatalities has changed. This presentation introduces operational, legal and social needs that must be addressed in mass fatalities events arising from broad scope natural disease outbreaks, mega-scale natural disasters and incidents involving weapons of mass destruction.

Thursday, May 10

General Sessions 8-12:00 a.m.

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Terrorism Motivated by Religion	Professor Bruce Hoffman	Today al Qaeda is often spoken of as if it is in retreat; a broken and beaten organization incapable of mounting further attacks on its own and having devolved operational authority either to its various affiliates and associates or to entirely organically produced, homegrown terrorist entities. Nothing could be further from the truth. Al Qaeda in fact is on the march. It has regrouped and reorganized from the setbacks meted out by the U.S. and our coalition partners during the initial phases of the global war on terrorism. A central element of al Qaeda's resilience and the continued resonance of its message is religion. Although many other historical and contemporary terrorist groups have evidenced a strong religious component, it has been mostly by dint of their membership and less a reflection of their ideology or justifications for violence. For movements like al Qaeda, however, the religious motive is overriding; and the religious imperative for terrorism is the most important defining characteristic of terrorist activity today. This keynote address will analyze the impact of religion on contemporary terrorism using al Qaeda and its influence and inspiration to radicalized elements worldwide to illustrate the salience of this trend in contemporary terrorism.
Dealing with the Media During Critical Incidents	Jim Vance	
The Limits of Law in Public Health Emergencies – Building Resilient Communities	Professor Edward Richards	The aftermath of Hurricane Katrina grimly illustrated the failure of local, state and federal emergency preparedness. While this has caused many states and the federal government to pass ever more emergency preparedness laws, the Katrina disaster was not a failure of legal authority or of emergency planning. It was a failure to realistically address the risks posed by the threat and a failure to appreciate the importance of individual preparedness. This presentation will discuss how public health emergency laws can reduce preparedness and will present on all hazards approach for building a more resilient community.

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PUBLIC HEALTH/HEALTH CARE

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Individual Restrictions, Quarantine, and Public Health Realities	Professor Edward Richards	This session will address when individual restrictions, including quarantine, may be used appropriately, and how to prepare for situations when the scale of the problems makes coercive action impossible. The discussion will include planning for post-event legal liability.
Preparing for Pandemic Influenza: The Hospital and Community Perspective	Dr. Stephen Cantrill	A pandemic influenza outbreak would present multiple challenges to our health care system. This presentation will outline the nature of the threat and approaches that can be taken to better prepare for this potential threat.

FAMILY/BUSINESS PREPAREDNESS

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Personal Preparedness is Professional Preparedness (Panel Discussion)	Jim Koval Beverly Sobolewski Dr. Wolford MDOT Do 1 Thing	Family Preparedness has two main considerations: what can my family and I do to be prepared for an emergency, and what can government agencies do to support their employees? This workshop will cover both considerations. Participants will come away with everything they need to know to make their own family emergency plan and disaster supply kit, and will what their government agency/employer should do to help support employees and their families.
COOP & COG	Jason Nairn	TBD
Children and Disasters – What you Need to Know	Jodi Spicer, PC JLS Consulting Dr. Dawn Contreras, PhD MSU Extension	Dealing with a disaster is stressful for everyone involved – but children are especially vulnerable. It is hard to know how to describe what happened and how to handle the complex emotions. Learn more about how to work appropriately with children who are affected by disaster and trauma. Stages of development and age-appropriate suggestions will be shared.

AGRICULTURE

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Animal Response Planning and the Federal PETS Act	Dr. Nancy Barr, DVM, Michigan Dept of Agriculture Dr. Mark Hansen, PhD, Michigan State University Extension	Hurricane Katrina reminded us that planning for animal response including, evacuation, sheltering, veterinary care, volunteer resources, and carcass disposal are important aspects of emergency planning and response. Presenters will discuss key aspects of animal emergency response with reference to the local emergency plan, the federal PETS Act, and studies related to planning for household animal emergency response.
Strengthening Local Connections with Food, Agriculture & Animals	Brad Deacon, MDA	Michigan's food and agriculture sector contributes over \$60 billion annually to the economy. This session will provide an overview of who's who when it comes to production, processing and retail of the food, agriculture and animal private sector, as well as regulatory officials, associations and interest groups. The session will cover an overview of some of the available information and resources and suggestions on how and where to strengthen local connections in both rural and urban areas.
Protecting Food & Agricultural Critical Sites & Systems	Dr. John Tilden, DVM	Michigan's food supply is provided by an increasingly complicated global network. This session will focus on providing a general overview of security and emergency preparedness from a food supply chain perspective. Strategies for protecting interconnected systems as opposed to individual critical sites will be emphasized. Private and public sector roles for prevention and/or mitigation of food contamination incidents will be clarified.

RESPONSE

TITLE	Speaker	Description
West Nickel Mines School Shooting Lancaster County, PA	Major Jon D. Kurtz Sergeant Douglas J. Burig PA State Police	Members of the Pennsylvania State Police will provide a detailed look into the October 2, 2006 shooting at a one room Amish schoolhouse in south central Pennsylvania. This incident, which resulted in the deaths of 5 young girls and the serious injury of 5 others, garnered international attention and was the lead story on most major national news networks for nearly a week. <u>The presentation has been developed from the law enforcement perspective and is appropriate only for a law enforcement audience.</u> Actual audio and video from the police response, as well as some crime scene photographs will be used.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Applying Disaster Lessons Documented and Moving Beyond Special Needs	Ms. June Isaacson Kailes	This session's focus is on ensuring that the needs and priorities of people with a wide range people with disabilities and functional limitations are met in the process of planning for and responding to all hazards. Disaster processes, procedures and systems can be more effective for people with disabilities. This workshop shares a more accurate and flexible framework based on functional needs (maintaining functional independence, communication, supervision, medical, and transportation) and suggests new approaches to leadership, service delivery and training.
TSC Screening	TBD	TBD
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TECHNOLOGY

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Spatial Intelligence for Homeland Security	TBD	As a tool for comprehensive preparation and quick response to homeland security events, Geographic Information System (GIS) technology is unrivaled. This panel presentation will showcase actual implement of GIS for homeland security at the city, county and state level in Michigan. This session highlights practical examples of how spatial awareness can be implemented to enhance homeland security operations.
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EXERCISING

TITLE	Speaker	Description
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Friday, May 11

Closing General Sessions 8:30-11:30 a.m.

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Motivational Positive Aspects of Homeland Security	TBA	
Leadership: Taking Charge	Gen. Colin Powell Retired Secretary of State (2001-2005)	One of the most admired men in America, General Colin Powell has been a leader for most of his life, having led troops as both a military leader, as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and as Secretary of State. But Gen. Powell believes a leader is more than just his or her title. Drawing on examples garnered from experience as both a leader on the world stage and an eyewitness to leadership in action, Gen. Powell illustrates for audiences precisely what it takes to be a leader, providing strategies for "taking charge" during times of great change and great crises. Gen. Powell demonstrates how to remain focused, take responsibility and work towards improving processes, organizations and people.